FOR INFORMATION CALL

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Ald. Bob Donovan (414) 286-3778

Cops & Kids Team Up For Clean Up

Major Neighborhood Clean Up Saturday to Cover Huge Swath of Near South Side

More than 30 Milwaukee police recruits are joining forces tomorrow with 60 children to pick up litter and beautify a large area of the city's near south side, Ald. Bob Donovan said.

The volunteer participants in the clean up will meet at 10 a.m. tomorrow (Saturday, May 3, 2008) at the Milwaukee Christian Center, S. 22nd St. and W. Greenfield Ave. At approximately 1 p.m. – after the clean up – the volunteers will reconvene at the MCC for a "thank you" lunch of free food and beverages. The police recruits and children should offer good visual opportunities, and all media are invited.

Ald. Donovan said the clean up area is from S. Cesar Chavez Dr. (16th St.) to S. 38th St., and from W. Pierce St. to W. Lincoln Ave.

"The children who will be taking part in the clean up are being referred by programs at the Milwaukee Christian Center, Journey House and the Boys & Girls Club," he said. "I'm very pleased that the officer recruits will be teamed up as role models with youngsters who will perhaps one day also train to protect and serve the citizens of Milwaukee."

The alderman said credit for making the clean up happen should go to MPD Capt.

Donald Gaglione of District Six, the Weed & Seed program, and Community Partners.